

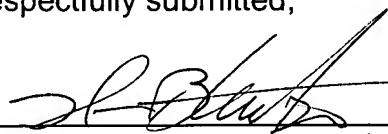
REMARKS

In response to the action dated December 21, 2005, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-17 and 35-50 for consideration. The remaining claims have been withdrawn without prejudice. Applicant's acquiescence in this restriction requirement is not to be taken as any admission of the merit of or accuracy of the positions taken by the Examiner in this non-substantive Office Action. Consideration and allowance of Claims 1-17 and 35-50 is respectfully requested.

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